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The Delt Letter

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Alumni Wayne Kraus, left, David Holliday, middle right, and David Whitesides spell out Delta Tau Delta with newly inducted Sweetheart Courtney Day, a member of Alpha Delta Pi.

Homecoming a Success!

The brothers of Delta Tau Delta welcomed back alumni on the weekend of October 14, 2005.

Homecoming started before that Friday evening for the active members of Epsilon Xi. Delta Tau Delta teamed up with the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi and the brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha to work on homecoming. The group proved to be quite the combination and was able to beat out all the other greek organizations and win the overall homecoming award.

The week included a banner, float, Homecoming Games, Homecoming Parade and Big Red's Roar.

Then on Friday night, alumni and actives met in downtown Bowling Green. Saturday morning, Chapter Advisor Derek Olive invited alumni and actives to his residence for brunch. Saturday afternoon saw even more alumni congregate at the Delta Tau Delta tent in DUC South

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Delts Serve Overseas

The military was never ruled out of alumnus Steven Miller's mind. His father, a recruiter for West Point U.S. Military Academy, made sure of that.

Miller pledged Delt his first of ten semesters, fall 1997. In 1999, with two semesters of partying out of his system, he started to take greater responsibility in the fraternity and classes.

He enlisted in the spring of 2000, looking at the decision as one he needed to make for his own good. "It tested every aspect of my strength and character," Miller said.

Some people close to him didn't like it, but he is a firm believer in serving his country in time of need, and he got his opportunity last summer when he flew to Kabul, Afghanistan.

As a senior lieutenant in the unit, Miller led a convoy over the Hindu Kush mountains to their base, Mazar-e Sharif. He has been there for four months; eight more to go.

News of deployment reached him when he had plans to be married the next summer, forcing he and his now wife Stephanie to move the wedding date up six months. But, he doesn't regret the decision to join the National Guard for a second.

"It has given me the opportunity to truly lead others under the most severe circumstances," Miller said. "The Delts gave me a taste of that, but the Army immersed me in it."

Another alumnus who took the military path is James Campbell, who pledged in the spring of 1989. He answered the phone at the Delt house one day and found himself talking at length to a recruiter. Having lost his job at a restaurant that closed down that week, he wasted no time in joining the army.

Campbell started out as a helicopter



James Campbell, '93, served overseas as one of his many contributions to our country. Campbell is now living in Ft. Huachuca, Az., with his wife.

repairman in Ft. Knox, and when he realized that he wanted to fly helicopters, not just repair them, he went active duty.

He underwent training at Ft. Jackson, Sc., and Ft. Eustis, Va., before winding back up in Kentucky at Ft. Campbell. After two years working at Ft. Campbell, he went to the Warrant Officer Candidate Flight School in Ft. Rucker, Al.

From there, his career has taken him all over. He was stationed in Korea to fly VIP's around in UH-60 Blackhawk utility helicopters and to train other pilots in flying along the border between South and North Korea.

Campbell married Laura, a Canadian teacher he met in Korea, and went on to work for the DEA in counter-drug operations in the Bahamas.

"As you can probably imagine, it was actually a lot of fun to chase drug boats," he said.

In May, 2001, they moved to Hawaii. The following year he served in Bosnia-Herzegovina,

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Truth, Courage, Faith, Power

Epsilon Xi to initiate eight

Last year, Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity approved an eight-week pledge program for all chapters as opposed to previous 16-week program used by my most chapters, including Epsilon Xi.

The Alpha Psi pledge class is nearing the end of their pledge period. With the

implementation of the eight-week pledge program, the chapter is utilizing its time to teach these new members about Delta Tau

Delta, both internationally and locally.

Alex Carter, Clint Cooper, Hunter Curry, Alex Mercke, Kevin Purcell, Matt Pursell, Chris Riley and John Wilson will be initiated into our brotherhood on the evening of Monday, November 28 at The Newman Center on the top of College Street.

The ceremony will include both The Rite of Iris ceremony as well as Ritual.

"We invite all alumni to come to Ritual and welcome these eight men into Epsilon Xi," said Vice President Paul Newton.

Anyone interested in attending should e-mail Newton at paul.newton@wku.edu or wkudelts@hotmail.com.

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Members of Alpha Psi pledge class cheer during Big Red's Roar. Afterwards, it was announced that Delta Tau Delta, along with the ADPI's and Lambda Chi's, had won homecoming.

Epsilon Xi thriving without Shelter

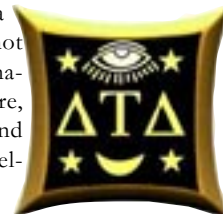
As most of you all know, Epsilon Xi lost our Shelter earlier this year. While the loss of the Shelter may seem like an event that would cripple the chapter, it has actually allowed Epsilon Xi to establish ourselves financially and let us do more as a chapter.

The Shelter began to be too much of a financial burden for the chapter. And now, with no Shelter, members are seeing their dues going toward chapter events instead of mortgages and house bills.

The finance committee was able to lower dues from \$450 per semester to a more reasonable \$300 and the chapter has been able to do more events on campus.

We continue to do chapter meetings at Garrett Conference Center on campus and have conducted other chapter business and gatherings at brothers houses throughout Bowling Green.

While the chapter is doing well without a house, eventually there will be a need for a house. We are not asking for money or donations now, but in the future, the chapter will start a fund raising drive for a new Shelter.



Homecoming: New Sweetheart inducted at dance

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Lawn for tailgating prior to Western's 37-28 victory over Missouri State.

The Homecoming Dance was held at The Brickyard Garden in Bowling

Green. During the dance, the brothers inducted Courtney Day as the new Epsilon Xi Sweetheart. Courtney is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority and competes in many beauty pageants.

The evening concluded with a lot of dancing and

reminiscing of old times. The band Venus XII provided the music for the evening.

The brothers of Epsilon Xi would like to thank all alumni that attended this years activities. It was a great week for brotherhood and a great weekend for getting to know you, our alumni.



Left: The crowd at the Homecoming Dance at the Brickyard Garden dance to the music of Venus XII. The dance began around 8 p.m. and concluded around 1:30 a.m. Right: New Sweetheart Courtney Day receives a hug from last year's Sweetheart Jennifer Rose during the Sweetheart Ceremony at the Brickyard Garden.

Alumni News, Notes and Events

Alumni Event Planned

Alumni Shane Koch, '89, Alan Florence, '92, and Mark Stivers, '90, are planning an alumni get together at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky., on Saturday, November 19, 2005.

Everyone will meet at the Derby Museum at 11:00 a.m., post time is at 12:40 p.m. Some representatives from the executive board of the chapter will head to Louisville to enjoy the day with everyone.

Tickets will cost \$9.00 per clubhouse seat, payable the day of the event.

If you are interested in attending please call Koch (502-899-1480), Florence (502-649-0043) or Stivers (502-213-9656). Please RSVP by November 10.

Chapter Retreat in Works

The Epsilon Xi chapter is planning a chapter retreat for the days before the start of the spring semester.

The executive board is planning on heading to the Evansville, In., area on Friday, January 19, 2006 to start planning out the semester.

The next day the entire chapter will arrive and meet at a lodge in Paoli, In. After a day of evaluation, goal setting and brother-building activities, the chapter will hit the slopes of Paoli Peaks Resort.

We would love to have some alumni involvement at this retreat. Your input will not only be accepted, but wanted.

As well as involvement, we are also asking alumni to help sponsor the event, which will be a great stepping stone towards the great semester we will have here at Western in the spring of 2006.

Any alumni who would like to help, financially or with involvement is encouraged to contact the chapter at wkudelts@hotmail.com and also look for information at the chapters web site at



www.wku.edu/delts.

Mosey Wed

Ted and Caroline Mosey were wed on October 22, 2005. The Mosey's were married in Franklin, Tennessee. Mosey was a 2003 graduate of Western Kentucky University.

The wedding was attended by many Epsilon Xi alumni including Chapter Advisor Derek Olive. The brothers of Epsilon Xi would like to wish Ted and Caroline the best.

Conferences Planned

Southern Division and Karnea are two of the of the conferences that are a link between Epsilon Xi, other division chapters and the Arch Chapter. Epsilon Xi will be attending both of these conferences in 2006.

The Southern Division conference will be held February 2-4, 2006 in Atlanta, Ga. The chapter will be sending a number of brothers to the conference and would love to see alumni support.

Karneia, the national conference of the fraternity, will be held in Indianapolis, In., August 2-6, 2006.

Chapter Advisor, Derek Olive, would like



Above: Ted Mosey with former President Josh Hester at Mosey's wedding October 22. Left: Alumni attending Mosey's wedding were from left, Daniel Wheeler, Matthew Williams, Josh Hester, Derek Olive and Pablo Barbieri with their respective dates.

to have a strong showing of ten alumni at this event.

If you are interested in attending either of these events, please call Derek Olive at 270-779-6268 or e-mail the chapter at wkudelts@hotmail.com.

Look for updates

A few months after introducing the new Epsilon Xi web site, the chapter is starting a major overhaul of the site.

The new site will be interactive with flash videos and pages for alumni and members. It will include contact information for all members of the chapter.

The site should be up and running by Thanksgiving. Be sure to check it out.

Chapter Meetings

Just a reminder for all alumni that the Epsilon Xi meetings are held every Sunday evening in Garrett Conference Center. The executive meeting is at 7:00 p.m. and the chapter meeting is at 7:30.

All alumni are welcome to and encouraged to join the chapter for the meetings to add your input.

Delts serving country: Campbell off to Japan

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and eventually Iraq in all of 2004. There he supplied his unit with fuel and ammunition and didn't do much flying, but the threat of rocket attacks and improvised explosive devices made it dangerous nevertheless, he said.

As a Delt, Campbell was inspired by the leadership of John Ellison and Derek Olive, the guys he said enforced the rules and ran the finances.

His favorite time of the week was the chapter meeting.

"Everyone had a voice, and an orderly means to express their opinions and ideas for making the chapter better," he said.

One of the most valuable experiences Campbell took away from being a Delt was actually losing an intramural wrestling match. The beating he took gave Epsilon Xi a few much needed points towards the All-Sports Trophy, which they won that year.

Today, he and Laura live in Ft. Huachuca, Az. Their next stop is Camp Zama, Japan.

And, to whom it may concern, Teener, the golden lab that stole food from Delt house residents, is showing her age but happily living out the rest of her days at Campbell's parents' farm.

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